

August 16, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District was held on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at the Water District office, 1016 St. Mary Street, Thibodaux, LA

Present were: Hugh Caffery, Chairman
Gene Harrell, Vice-Chairman
Chris Domangue
Ray Mayet
Dale Dennis
Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer
Barry Soudelier
Jake Giardina
Francis Richard

Absent were: Scott LeBlanc
Lance Authement
Donald Schwab

Also present were: Josh Bordelon; Henry & Hattie Templet, Bayou Rowing
Kristyn Childers, Millage Management;
Ryan Perque, FOBL; Capt. Jake Stahl; Robert Mire; Barry Marionneaux, Attorney
Ben Malbrough, Executive Director; Heather Armstrong, Admin.Assistant

Chairman Hugh Caffery asked for a motion to open the public hearing at 5:03 p.m.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to open the public hearing to consider levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval or adopting the adjusted millage rate after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior years maximum. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hugh Caffery asked three times for any public comment and there were none.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Caffery began the public meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Chairman Caffery stated that public comments can be made at any time in the meeting prior to action on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

Moved by Commissioner Ray Mayet, seconded by Commissioner Greg Nolan to dispense with the reading of the minutes, and approve the minutes of July 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to approve the accounts payable report. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to approve the finance report for July 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough reported that the pump station is pumping at full capacity, and the Bayou operations are normal.

Commissioner Ray Mayet read Resolution No. 2021-02, in full, to adopt the Lafourche, Assumption and Ascension Parishes adjusted millage rate of 2.08 for the tax year 2021. He asked for any public comments on Resolution No. 2021-02 and there were none. Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Dale Dennis to

adopt Resolution No. 2021-02. The roll was called, and the votes were as follows: Yeas 9; Nays 0; Abstained 0; Absent 3. Resolution No. 2021-02 was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ray Mayet read Resolution No. 2021-03, in full, to set forth the adjusted millage rate of 2.08 and roll forward to maximum millage rate of 2.11 in Lafourche, Assumption and Ascension Parishes for tax year 2021. He asked for any public comments and there were none. Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Commissioner Chris Domangue to adopt Resolution No. 2021-03. The roll was called, and the votes were as follows: Yeas 9; Nays 0; Abstained 0; Absent 3. Resolution No. 2021-03 was passed unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough discussed the Final MOA for USACE Section 106, for the Pump Capacity Improvements Project and recommended the Boards approval to execute.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Gene Harrell to approve the execution of the Final MOA for USACE Section 106 for the Pump Capacity Improvements Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough announced a Change Order No.4 for the Weir Removal Project for floating boat docks not to exceed \$75,000.00, and he recommends its approval.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Greg Nolan to approve Change Order No.4 for the Weir Removal Project floating boat docks not to exceed \$75,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough discussed the adoption of a resolution to appoint himself to the Board of Directors of LCDA.

Moved by Commissioner Barry Soudelier, seconded by Commissioner Jake Giardina to adopt the resolution appointing Mr. Ben Malbrough to the Board of Directors of LCDA. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough stated the proposal from T.Baker Smith to install and maintain water elevation sensors in Bayou Lafourche, will be tabled.

Mr. Ryan Perque gave an update on the Friends of Bayou Lafourche as follows:

- Nicholls presentation
- Napoleonville Project making progress
- Melodia Boat Launch - Landscaping
- Weir Removal Boat Parade – August 28th

Chairman Hugh Caffery asked for any public comments.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Hugh Caffery, Chairman

Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer